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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 1197-239

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Ryu Taniguchi et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1711
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Application No.: 10/500,190)	Examiner: Duc Truong
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Filed: June 25, 2004)	
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For: Polyketone and Process for)	Confirmation No.: 7640
Producing the Same)	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE

In response to the Restriction Requirement of May 3, 2005, applicants elect Group I and claims 1-14 for further prosecution in this application.

With respect to the requirement for an election of species, it is believed the Examiner has mischaracterized the species in this case.

The references to numerals (1) - (6) are presumed to be the formulas (1) - (6) as set forth in the claims.

Independent claim 1 claims a polyketone having the combination of (1), (2), and (3). So also do claims 9 and 10. A species of the polyketone of claim 1 is one having the combination (1), (4), and (5) as set forth in claim 6 where (4) is a species of (2) and (5) is a species of (3). Another species is one having the combination (1), (5), and (6) as set forth in claim 7 where (5) is a species of (3) and (6) is a species of (2).

Thus it is submitted that the combination of (1), (2), and (3) is generic to all species and that the species are the combinations (1), (4), and (5) and (1), (5), and (6).

Assuming the Examiner agrees, applicants elect the species that is the combination of (1), (4), and (5) of the elected claims, the claims readable on the elected species are claims 1-6 and 8-14.

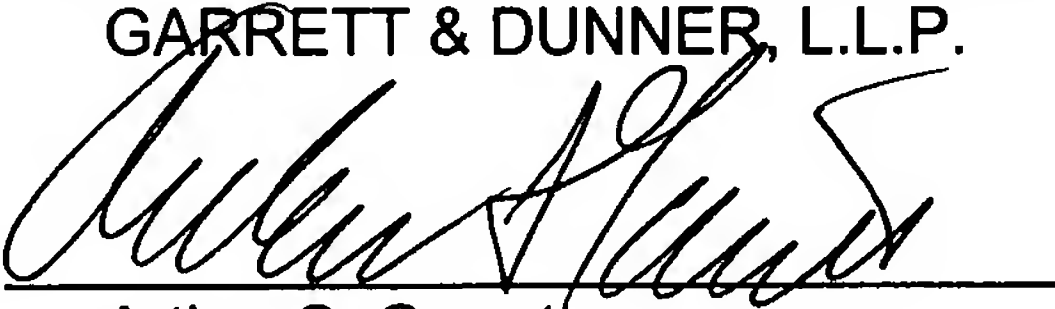
It is understood that the claims will only have to be restricted to the elected species in the event a generic claim is not found to be allowable.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application on non-elected claims 15-25.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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